Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph at page 23, line 13 to page 24,
line 17, as follows:

An operation unit 108 is operated by the operator to
set image printing conditions when a series of image
information, originals 1 to 5 in the case shown in FIG. 3,
are to be loaded. The image printing conditions are set on a
job basis, on a multiple page basis, on a group basis, or on
a page basis. The controller 161 loads the image printing
conditions and the image information of originals 1 to 5
into the image memory 106 by using the image reader 200. The
image information of originals 1 to 5 is compressed by the
compression IC 222. A page writing unit 201 then creates
individual image printing conditions for each page of the
compressed image information from the image printing
conditions input on a job basis, on a multiple page basis,
or on a page basis. The individual image printing conditions
and the compressed data of pages are stored in the image
memory 106 while the conditions are associated with the
compressed data of the corresponding pages by linking them
to each other. The page writing unit 201 repeats this

operation and stores a series of image information in the
image memory 106. Referring to FIG. 3, image printing
conditions and image information are loaded from the
operation unit 108 and scanner unit 102. However, when image
printing conditions and image information are to be input
from a terminal 130, they are loaded from the terminal 130
through a LAN (Local Area Network), as shown in ~~FIG. 3~~
Fig. 2. The image information and image printing conditions
are loaded into an image memory 113 of an image processing
unit 112, and are then loaded into the image memory 106 of
the controller 161 through a ~~bus 240~~ bus 204. Note that the
image printing conditions to be loaded into the image
processing unit 112 are input on a job basis, on a multiple
page basis, or on a page basis.